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FROM: DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

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RE: A. LINC 2821 (IN 48532)

B. LINC 2766 (IN 47822)

C. DIR 01050 (OUT 95602)

D. TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN WHITING AND PLAYDON MORNING OF 20 MAY.

WYBAT/PBSUCCESS

1. CONFIRMING REF D TELEPHONE CONVERSATION LINC NEEDS TO KNOW THAT MATTERS HAVE PROGRESSED VERY RPT VERY FAR AT THIS END AS RESULT DEVELOPMENTS PAST 3 DAYS WSBURNT AND ADJOINING AREAS. WHEREAS WE AGREE SOUNDNESS YOUR WISH AS EXPRESSED PARA 2 REF A AS MEASURED AGAINST PREVIOUSLY EXISTING SITUATION AND PLANS, THE PLAIN FACT OF MATTER IS THAT MANY IMPORTANT PERSONS HERE NOW LOOKING UPON SABOTAGE EFFORT AS TEST OF STRENGTH AND CAPABILITY CALLIGERIS ORGANIZATION, FAILURE OF WHICH, COMING ON TOP INTELLIGENCE FAILURE CONNECTED ARRIVAL VESSEL, WILL INEVITABLY HAVE SERIOUSLY PREJUDICIAL CONSEQUENCES. WE REALIZE THAT THIS IS A QUICK CHANGE OF PACE WHICH BUT DIFFICULT FOR YOU TO ADJUST TO/HE EVEN SO LINC APPEARS TO HAVE HAD RIGHT IDEA IN PARA 2.E. OF REF B.

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2. IN LIGHT OF NEW CIRCUMSTANCES IT APPEARS TO US THAT TOO LITTLE EFFORT HAS BEEN COMMITTED CURRENT ATTEMPT. IT MAY BE TOO LATE TO DO ANYTHING MORE CONCERNING PRESENT SHIPMENT AND RAIL MOVEMENTS BUT IT NOW APPEARS MORE LIKELY THAT THERE MAY BE FURTHER SHIPMENTS ENROUTE. WE HAVE VERY TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED ONE SUCH SHIPMENT WHICH MAY ~~EITHER~~ ARRIVE WITHIN FEW DAYS POSSIBLY CONTAINING AMMO. FURTHER PARTICULARS WILL BE FORWARDED AS RAPIDLY AS ASCERTAINED BUT IT IS NOT TOO SOON NOW TO BEGIN FURTHER PREPARATIONS FOR HARASSMENT AND ATTEMPTED INTERDICTION.

3. FURTHER AS REGARDS REPUTATION AND APPRAISAL SUCCESS AT HIGH LEVELS HERE THE TONIC REQUIRED AT MOMENT IS A MIXTURE OF MORE AND BETTER INTELLIGENCE ON TRUE SITUATION PLUS SOME SOLID DEMONSTRATION ABILITY OF CALLIGERIS AND COMPANY TO "DELIVER."

4. CONCERNING YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS REF A FOR ADDITIONAL ACTIONS HERE WE CONSIDER A NUMBER OF THESE VERY SOUND AND ARE AT WORK ON SOME OF THEM. STRONG AND CONTINUING EFFORTS BEING MADE STIR UP THE INTEREST OF ODEARL AND ODOATH AS REGARDS ALL ASPECTS OF ARMS DELIVERY MATTER. ODEARL HAS PROMISED TO LAY ON COMPLETE SURVEILLANCE CARIBBEAN AREA AND THIS BEING FOLLOWED UP. DIFFICULT TO PREDICT AT

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MOMENT WHAT POLICY CONSIDERATIONS WILL APPLY IN EVENT IDENTIFICATION FURTHER SHIPMENTS BUT TEMPERS IN WASHINGTON DEFINITELY ON THE RISE.

5. AS TO 3.B. NO COMMENT FOR PRESENT. THIS IS OF COURSE POLITICAL JUDGMENT REQUIRING CAREFUL WEIGHING BY SKILLET AND ODACID SINCE IN PRESENT PRECARIOUS BALANCE WSHOOFS THIS MIGHT BE TOO DISRUPTIVE.

6. RE 3.C. AGREE ENTIRELY AND HAVE AGAIN PRESSED ODACID PUT MORE HEAT ON FIGUERES ALONG LINES PREVIOUSLY COMMENCED.

7. CONCERNING WITHDRAWAL MIL/MIS THIS HAS AGAIN RECEIVED CAREFUL HIGH LEVEL REVIEW AND AT MOMENT BALANCE OF OPINION APPEARS TO BE AGAINST HASTY REMOVAL AT JUST THIS TIME -- PERHAPS WITHIN 2 OR 3 WEEKS. (HOWEVER THIS MATTER MAY BE OVERTAKEN BY ACTION ON PART WSBURNT. (SEE GUAT 593 (IN 49063), PARA 11.)

8. RE 3.E. THIS IS MORE A PROBLEM OF PROOF THAN ANYTHING ELSE. PRESENT DISPOSITION ODACID WOULD BE TO MOVE IN WITH REAL STRENGTH IF ANY SOLID EVIDENCE WSBURNT AGGRESSIVE ACTION AGAINST WSHOOFS. GALVEZ REQUEST FOR HELP WOULD OF COURSE BE REQUIRED.

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